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ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

SEP 7 AARC General Meeting, 7 PM, Consortium Library
SEP 8 ARTS FAIR, University of Alaska
SEP 11 PARKA meeting, Grandview Gardens Library, 7:30 PM
SEP 12 AARC Board Meeting, 7 PM, Mountainview Library
SEP 14 AARC monthly social, La Casa, Eagle River, 6:30 PM
SEP 22/23 AARC FLEA MARKET, Athenian Village Shopping Ceneter

NETS

Anc Amateur Civil Emergency Svc	Weekly on THUR	8:00 PM	90/30
SNIPER Net	Daily	6:00 PM	3920
SOURDOUGH Net	Mon-FRI	6:30 PM	3915
SEASAW Net	Daily	4:30 PM	3900
DX Assoc Net	1st Sun of Month	8:00 PM	7265
ALASKA CIVIL PREDAREDNESS Net	Mon-Fri	8 - 9 AM	14292
ALASKA BUSH Net	Daily	6:30-8:30 PM	7350
ALASKA IDITAROD Net	Sat	10:00 AM	28849

The Anchorage Amateur Radio Club is Affiliated with the University of Alaska with the Anchorage Community College and meet onthe campus.

RAFFLE!! RAFFLE!! RAFFLE!! RAFFLE!! RAFFLE!! RAFFLE!! RAFFLE!!
Please bring ticket stubs and money to Sep meeting so we can determine how,s we doing onthe raffle for the FLEA MARKET.

QSL!! QSL!! QSL!!

Keep your QSL bureau informed of any call or address changes so yous can keep those rare DX cards acomin to the right place. The Alaska QSL Bureau is handled by John, KL7GNP, and Dotty Bierman at 4304 Garfield St., Anchorage AK 99503

NEWSLETTER NEWSLETTER NEWSLETTER

Any complaints with newsletter this month?? Lucy didn't do it - you guess who then direct your words of wisdom to pres fred.

ARTS FAIR!!! ARTS FAIR!!! ARTS FAIR!!!

See Dave, KL7Mike, if ya wanna chip it a bit of your free time in helping out with Radio security patrol etc etc at the ARTS FAIR!!

Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

GENERAL MEETING

8/3/79

Attendance: 84

The meeting was opened by President Fred Wegmer, (KL7HFM)

Minutes of the previous meeting and the two prior Board of Directors Meetings were read by Club Secretary Dave Zugsberger, (KL7FO). Motions were made to accept the minutes after correction of errors noted, these motions were seconded and approved by the members.

The treasurer's report was present by Betty Rhodes, (KL7AP) and after a brief discussion relating to payments made for telephone book advertisement and rental to the Stuckagain Heights Association, it was motioned for approval. This motion was seconded and approved by the members. Betty also requested that members up for renewal of ARRL memberships please pay through our Club so that proper credit could be applied to our treasury.

Tom Moore (KL7Q) was introduced and he reported on the Iditarod Trail committee meetings he had been attending. Tom said that the Iditarod Committee had requested our club to provide a communications system all the way to Nome for next years race. This would require 3 to 5 more stations than last years effort. Also, Tom reported that the communication budget for this may run as high as \$7,000, and that he would be attending more meetings and reporting back to the Club later. Tom requested that anyone interested in participating in the Iditarod project contact him for more details. Tom also said that an article relating to the Clubs participation in the Iditarod and written by him was published in World Radio Magazine.

The subject of electing a new SCM was brought up by Tom. He said that he was circulating a nomination petition for Fred Wegmer and that he was contacting other clubs in Alaska regarding this nomination and requesting alternate names if there was interest. Final nomination to be into ARRL by Sept. 7, 1979.

Patty Oleson (KL7L) then read the nomination resume to the meeting.

Wilse Morgan (KL7CQ) made a motion to have the Club pay for 4 or 5 belt buckles (apparently \$44-\$55) so that the required 25 could be ordered and not delay the 21 that already have been requested by Club members. This was seconded and approved by the members.

Herb Rosenthal (AL7G) asked the President why the Club was considering becoming involved with a scholarship program. Herb suggested that perhaps the Club, if it wished to support a worthy cause and or gain IRS tax exempt status, should consider a project relating to communications such as emergency communications van.

Fred said the Board believes the Club should be involved in some type of community project and therefore he asked members to consider this and give suggestions to the Board.

Steve Norrell (KL7IYX) reported that the ACC would be presenting a seminar on organizational tax-exempt status and that perhaps this seminar would be of value to the Club since we are considering this. Fred said that someone from our Club would be there.

Susie Arnout was then introduced by Dave Lawrence (KL7HAB) and presented with a letter of appreciation and flowers for her help in producing our TV promotion.

Introductions of the general membership were then held.

Frank Drake (KL7IPV) requested that members of the flea market committee and volunteers should been with him on 8/4/79.

Fred reported that the public address systems was near completion and should be ready for the next meeting.

Fred asked the Club for permission to purchase 6 Model 28ASR Teletype Machines - 5 of which were to be auctioned off at the flea market. Cost per machine is \$25. A motion to make the purchase was made, seconded and approved.

Fred requested an additional \$300 for the flea market activities. This was seconded and approved.

The guest speaker, Jan O'Higgins, was then introduced and presented a slide show and question and answer session on the Cooperative Extension Institute of the UAA. (Phone number to call for more information 277-1488).

Drawings for prizes were held.

Dave Lawrence (HAB) said that the social picnic in conjunction with the Girl Scouts was cancelled in favor of the social to be held at Big Lake in honor of Sandy Olendorf.

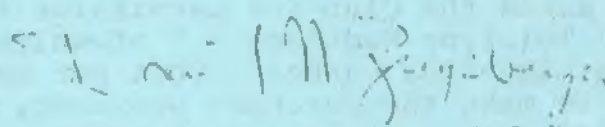
Bill Balzarini (KL7BB) brought to the Clubs attention violations of FCC laws being conducted by the fishing industry in the Bristol Bay area. Bill said his efforts to report these to the FCC in Anchorage, including turning in a Sears transceiver used illegally did not result in any FCC effective response.

Frank Drake (IPV) reported on someone interfering with the local fire station frequency and using the call sign KL7BI. The real KL7BI was out of the state during these interference problems and therefore Frank asked club members to be on the lookout for the violator and to call Pete Miller if the bogus KL7BI was heard.

A question was raised concerning training for amateurs not necessarily related to FCC licenses such as home brewing gear or operating teletype machines. Fred asked the membership if this might be needed and after a favorable response was received he suggested members contact Bob McKinnie (KL7JKG) about this.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by


David N. Zugsberger
Club Secretary

Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

8/8/79

Present:	Fred Wegner	KL7HFM	President
	Betty Rhodes	KL7AP	Treasurer
	Dave Zugberger	KL7FO	Secretary
	Dave Lawrence	KL7HAB	Activities Chairman
	Bill Reiter	KL7ITI	Club Trustee
	Herb Brasseur	KL7JIG	Board Member
	Steve Norrell	KL7IYX	Board Member
	Bob McKinnie	KL7JKG	" "
	Dave Cloyd	KL7M	" "
	John Bierman	KL7GNP	" "
	Wilse Morgan	KL7CQ	" "
	Harley Steward	KL7IEZ	" "
	Mary Moore	KL7P	
	Tom Moore	KL7Q	

Location: Mountain View Library

The meeting was called to order by Fred (KL7HFM) at 7:15 p.m.
The following notes summarize the minutes of this meeting.

1. Order of Business:

Minutes of General Meeting in 8/3/79 were presented by Club Secretary Dave Zugberger (KL7FO).

Action:

Accepted by the Board with the suggestion that call signs be included in the minutes.

2. Order of Business:

Treasurer's report presented by Treasurer Betty Rhodes (KL7AP) Betty also reported that she had received \$20 for the "radio fund" and wasn't sure where to deposit these funds.

Action:

Board accepted the treasurer's report and approved the \$20 to be deposited in the repeater fund.

3. Order of Business:

Betty (KL7AP) reported on the last meeting of the flea market committee, (see notes inclosed) and requested that another meeting be held as soon as possible.

4. Order of Business:

Dave Lawrence (KL7HAB) reported that he was organizing a picnic with the Girl Scouts to replace the social event originally scheduled at Big Lake at Mary Olendorf's (KL7BJD) place. Mary requested a change ~~due~~ to plumbing problems. The picnic therefore to be August 15th.

5. Order of Business:

Fred (KL7HFM) reported that he had sold one commercial booth at the flea market. The price this year for booths and auctioning will be:

- \$35 for commercial booths
- \$15 for private booths and
- 20% of gross sales on auctioned goods

Fred also reported that he would contact Roy Davie (KL7CUK) about an ARRL booth at the flea market that he would leave up to Dave (KL7HAB) to arrange for a technical display at the flea market.

6. Order of Business:

Fred (KL7HFM) suggested that the Club should ask the Governor to declare Amateur Radio Week the week of Sandy Olendorf's birthday.

7. Order of Business:

Betty (KL7AP) reported that in the event the Club had a problem with meeting space the Grand View Gardens might be considered as an alternate site.

8. Order of Business:

Dave Zugsberger (KL7FO) motioned that copies of the minutes be sent to Lucy Hilpert (KL7LH) for the news letter. Steve (KL7IYX) motioned that publishing the minutes should replace the regular reading of the minutes at the General Meetings.

Action:

Board approved publishing the minutes in the newsletter in place of reading the minutes at General Meetings. In addition the Treasurer's Report was also authorized to be published with the minutes.

9. Order of Business:

Bob McKinnie (KL7JKG) reported that there appears to

be a great deal of interest in technical training for Club members.

Action:

Fred (KL7HFN) suggested that since there appears to be a lot of interest in this area more sessions relating to technical subjects should be presented at the meetings and that perhaps a "buddy system" could be arranged for new hams or anyone interested in learning: Details to be worked out later.

This finished the official business. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Submitted by

David N. Zugsberger

Dave N. Zugsberger (KL7FO)
Club Secretary



Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

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FINANCIAL REPORT # 1 JUNE 30, 1979

CASH ON HAND 3/31/79 . . .

Savings Account
Checking Account

16,121.15
456.94
\$6,578.09

INCOME

Savings Acct. Interest 154.76
Membership - Club dues 218.50
ARRL portion 4.50
Autopatch donations 21.00
Sale - Club patches 75.00
Donations Surplus Equip. 35.00
Novice Classes (Net) 269.37

778.13
\$7,356.22

EXPENDITURES

Newsletter 283.74
Club telephone & adv. 157.32
Flowers 30.00
Rent Repeater Site 260.00
Legal Notices, Newspapers 60.48
Postmaster, Box Rent 40.00
Field Day Expenses 200.00
Annual Filing Fee 5.00
Refurbish Club Sign 12.62
Xtal order (to be repaid) 160.85
Insurance 224.00
Personal Communications Foundation 25.00
Carrs-Videotape 15.00

1,474.01

Total Cash on Hand 6/30/79

\$5,882.21

Checking Account \$ 206.30
Savings Account 5,675.91

\$5,882.21

REPEATER FUND REPORT 6-30-79

Balance 3/31/79 \$326.93

EXPENDITURES . .

Harness 90/30 48.60
147.96 Xtal 13.00
Inst Rental 90/30 27.50

Balance 6/30/79 \$237.83

RAFFLE ACCOUNT BALANCE AFTER RAFFLE AND EXPENSES:

\$191.21

TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS \$5,675.91
206.30
247.83
191.21
\$6,311.25

Respectfully submitted,

Betty C. Rhodes

Betty C. Rhodes, K17AP
Treasurer

MONEY!! MONEY!! MONEY!! MONEY!!

It has been suggested that to save time and boredom at the General Meeting each month, the minutes and treasurer's reports be deleted and just published in the newsletter. This will be a trial run so if you don't read the newsletter you will just have to get the business stuff from someone at the meeting.

Treasurer's Report to the Board 8-8-79

Checking acct. 298.49
Savings acct. 4,375.91
\$4,674.40

Repeater Fund 257.83
Raffle acct 136.81

Paid out: 40.43 Lucy for newsletter June & July
300.00 Flea Market advance
125.00 5 RTTY's for the Flea Market
\$ 465.43

Income: \$35.50 membership
26.00 Repeater fund donation
61.50

A NEW AND GLORIOUS Accounting system is in the process of being devised and set up so that in the future we will have a very precise bookkeeping operation. In the meantime Dave KL7FD is being very patient and helpful.

884 73

Betty KL7AP

DID YOU KNOW???? The MOOSEHORN ARC in Kenai/Soldtna area offers a certificate for working an amateur in the four judicial districts of Alaska plus one MOOSEHORN club member. Send log copy or QSL's for verification plus funds to return cards and to pay postage on certificate to: Award Chairman, Larry Nudson KL7IQQ, Star Rte 1, Box 1268, Kenai, Alaska 99611. This is a very nice looking certificate which is available to Alaska stations.

FOR YL's:

A world wide YL directory is being planned. Send name, call, QTH, ph nr, class of license and date licensed, OM's call and name, all on a 3 X 5 card to: Marth Edwards, W6QYL, P.O. Box 716, Twentynine Palms, Calif 92277.

NOVICE or GENERAL classes!!

Anyone wanting to donate some time as instructor or helper for either type of class, please call Sue Michael WL7ABK at 349-1673

AUGUST MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

additions

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Anchorage, AK 99507

KL7IYL
Home: 344-8362
Work:

ARRL

Harris, Curt
Harris, Linda
6242 Collins Way
Anchorage, AK 99502

KL7IUJ
Assoc
Home: 243-2691
Work: 243-6633

changes/corrections

Bestry, Dyanne

KL7FV

Bush, Don
Bush, Judy
RR4 Box 778-37
Juneau, AK 99803

KL7JFT
Assoc

Losey, Robert F. Jr.
26818 Military Road S.
Kent, Washington 98031

WA7VEB

Rhodes, Betty

KL7AP
Home: 344-1257

LIFE ARRL

Soett, Russell C.
ALASCOM Inc.
P.O. Box 73
Kotzebue, AK 99752

KL7SHM
Home: 442-3797
Work: 442-3201

Shell, Dale E
5812 C E. Northern Lights Blvd
Anchorage, AK 99504

WL7AEA

Zugsberger, David
3915 W. 79th Ct.
Anchorage, AK 99502

KL7FO
243-8735, Home
265-5208, Work

CALLSIGN CHANGED??? ADDRESS CHANGED??? PHONE NR CHANGED???

ERROR IN ROSTER??? Want your Newsletter each month???

To report any changes, additions, or corrections to roster call Mary KL7P on 90/30 or call 753-9400



Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

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1979 8th ANNUAL ELECTRONICS FLEA MARKET

Once more it's time for the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club Electronics Flea Market - our 8th annual such event.

The location this year will be in the Athenian Village Shopping Center, 3500 Tudor Rd. There is ample parking in the center for everyone. The dates are Saturday, September 22 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, September 23, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Booth space reservations and information are available from Frank Drake, KL7IPV, (phone 243-4082) and Ken Delp, KL7FD, (phone 272-9257).

Two types of booths are available. These are (1) an amateur booth for a charge of \$15 plus 10% of all sales made and (2) a commercial booth for a flat charge of \$35. Admission to the Flea Market will be 50 cents per ticket per day. Tickets are drawn for door prizes, with no limit on the number of tickets an individual can buy to enhance his opportunity to win.

Most Amateurs have excess equipment around the house and yet always seem to lack that vital item for finishing a project. The Flea Market offers an excellent opportunity for rearranging your inventory or converting some unwanted supplies into cash. Remember, even if you don't have enough equipment to warrant taking your own booth, the Club booth is open for your use for a charge of 10% of your proceeds. We also hold auctions periodically throughout both days for a charge of 20%. No item is too large, too small, too old or too much of a boat anchor for our auctioneer to peddle. The Club also needs donations for the Club booth. The Club booth chairman this year is Herb Brasseur, KL7JIG, 243-6239. Call Herb if you have a donation for the Club booth.

We will be giving away many and varied DOOR PRIZES donated by local businesses. In past years lucky ticket holders walked away with small electric appliances, gift certificates, luggage, savings bonds, watches, ice cream sundaes, and radio accessories.

On the technical side this year, KL7AA will be set up on HF, RTTY, Slow-Scan TV and VHF. There will be a Tweak 'n Peak (Turn 'n Burn) service available for a small charge.

There will also be a sign-up booth for new members. P.A.R.K.A., the ARRL, and the Alaska DX Association will also be on hand for information and sign up. For further diversion, a hot air balloon will be set up for tether-line rides.

We need volunteers to help operate the Flea Market and man the technical demonstrations. If you can help, call Frank, KL7IPV or Mary Moore, KL7P (753-9400). The Amateur Electronics Flea Market is a great opportunity to show off the varied facets of our hobby and, hopefully, to expand our local membership while having good time. Come to Athenian Village on September 22 and 23, bring your friends, and fill up those empty spaces in your ham shack.

73,
Fred Wegmer, KL7HFM
President 274-3464

FLEA MARKET '79 COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

The first Flea Market '79 committee meeting was held at Frank Drake's QTH, KL7IPV, on 4 August 1979. Present were KL7's HFM, CQ, IPV, JIG, LH, BB, AP. The organization for the flea market was discussed and the following is a report on the set up for Athenian Village on Sept. 22 & 23.

PSA's and Newspapers - Dave Lawrence, KL7HAB, and Patti Olson, KL7L will handle advertising in the Great Lander, Penney Saver, Thrifty Nickel, KL7CQ, Wilse will put the ads in the Times and Daily News. Patti will do PSA's for the radio and TV stations.

BOOTHS: Frank, KL7IPV and Ken Delp, KL7FD will handle renting and layout of commercial and individual booths. Commercial booths will be \$35 and individual booths will be \$15 plus 10% of gross sales. Ken will contact the people who had booths last year. Booths available at no charge will go to the QSL Bureau, PARKA, Alaska DX Association, ARRL, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, CAP and REACT (if they want one).

DOOR PRIZES: Bill Balzarini, KL7RB, will be in charge of getting door prizes and procuring tables and chairs. The tables and chairs we have used in the past are no longer available so if anyone can help on this please contact Bill on 34/94 or 344-1257.

TWEAK & PEAK: Three people will be contacted to see if they can help on this - Tim, KL7WE, Bill, KL7IPD, and Doug, KL7IKX.

TECHNICAL DISPLAY: We plan to have set up-RTTY, HF, Computers, SSTV. Volunteers will be needed to set up and operate for the two days. Tim, KL7WE and Bill, KL7ITI will be approached for handling this. It was also suggested to have the ADES van but has since been found out that we may not use it for a commercial operation.

SIGNS: Lucy, KL7LH has the signs from last year. Wilse, KL7CQ has the small signs from Mother's Day, QSL boards, and club banners. We will probably need two persons for walking up and down with the sandwich boards. It was suggested to have Dave, KL7JKC and Jim, KL7JCF handle this.

MEMBERSHIP AND ENTRY: Mary Moore, KL7P will handle membership sign up at the door. Members of PARKA will help and also collect the entrance fee of 50¢ per person.

CLUB BOOTH: Herb, KL7JIG will be in charge. Consignments will be handled with the club keeping 20% of the sales. Herb, AL7G will also be asked to handle the multitude of items that the club has accumulated to sell.

AUCTION: Wilse, KL7CQ will handle the auctioneering. Any sales for individuals will be at a 20% fee. Wilse will also get the PA system for inside and outside the building.

HOT AIR BALLOON: Dan will bring his balloon for tether-line rides. He will need a large space roped off in the parking lot.

RAFFLE: 500 tickets at \$5 each will be sold. Drawings to be on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 23.

MISCELLANEOUS: Others were suggested for helping with the various set-ups so quite a few will be approached as volunteers. Anyone and everyone is welcome and urged to help in all areas. TRUCKS- Needed for set up and clean up.

Frank Drake, KL7IPV 243-4082 Chairman



Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

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August 6, 1979

Dear Fellow Amateurs,

As you may already know, the ARRL has solicited, from its members in Alaska, nominating petitions for the office of Section Communications Manager (SCM) for the Alaska Section of the Northwest Division.

The Anchorage Amateur Radio Club wishes to announce its nomination and support of Fred S. Wegner KL7HFM for this most important position. Enclosed is a copy of Fred's experience in Amateur Radio, the electronics and communications field, and his "platform" for seeking election to the office of SCM.

However, my primary purpose here is to urge Alaska's ARRL members to take the initiative and actively participate in the ARRL communications structure here in Alaska; whether in supporting our candidate or by nominating someone of your choice. SCM candidates must have been a member of the ARRL for a continuous term of at least two years and a licensed amateur of General class or higher immediately prior to receipt of petition at Headquarters. Your petition must be received at Headquarters on or before 5:30PM EDST, September 7, 1979. To be valid, a petition must contain the signatures of five or more full ARRL members residing in Alaska. Photocopied signatures are not acceptable. No petition is valid without at least five signatures on that petition. (see page 88 August QST).

If more than one member is nominated, ballots will be mailed from Headquarters on October 1, 1979, and returns counted November 20, 1979. The new SCM will then take office January 1, 1980.

While we here in Anchorage heartily support our candidate, I hope that more than one candidate will be nominated - so that ARRL will be forced to mail out ballots for the election. In this way, each ARRL member in Alaska will be personally confronted with a choice and a decision to make. The end result is that Alaska's ARRL members will become aware of the election and are offered the individual invitation to participate. If only one person is nominated, ARRL will simply announce the election of that person, uncontested, in fine print in QST. The majority of Alaska's ARRL members would, subsequently, not even know that there was an election.

I urge all Alaska's ARRL members to take an active part in the election of the SCM for our state.

THIS LTR SENT TO ALL
KNOWN CLUBS IN ALASKA,
FAIRBANKS, EIPSON, JUNEAU,
KETCHIKAN, NOME, KODIAK
ETC.

73,

Tom Moore, KL7Q
ARRL Rep, AARC



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FRED S. WEGMER, KL7HFM

Fred Wegmer has been a licensed amateur radio operator since 1951. He became KL7HFM, his current call, in 1970. Prior to that he held several other call signs as his home QTH changed. They were: W9HHV, his first call; DL4HX in Germany; K6LCA; KA2DJ in Japan; KH6FOW, Hawaii; KM6DJ Midway Island; and W4NKM. He holds an Advanced Class license and has been a member of ARRL for 28 years. A member of the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club for the past 10 years and a board member for several of those 10 years, Fred is now on his second term as President.

Besides his avid interest in Amateur communications, Fred is employed in the commercial communications field. He has 25 years experience in VHF-FM and 6 years experience in digital computer-oriented communications. Fred holds a BSEE in electronics from August College in Georgia and is currently working to complete a Master's degree in electronics and computer communication. For the last 8 years has been employed in communications in the State of Alaska with RCA, the U.S. Army, and BLM, his current employer.

Fred's experience in traffic handling includes being a military CW operator, amateur teletype operation, net controls of Army and Air Force MARS nets, and currently, when time permits, occasional weekend NCS of the Alaska Net.

In Fred's own words, "Alaskan HAMS need good communication and operating organization within the State. I am quite familiar with ARRL operations and have several years' experience in amateur communications. I feel that I can communicate with our HAMS to the extent of getting along and getting things done."

Fred's immediate goals to accomplish as the Alaska SCM are: (1) to organize our emergency communications capabilities on a statewide level so as to provide a good relationship between HAMS and government agencies; and (2) to really give Alaska a good public image of Amateur Radio and to be better represented to the amateur world, therefore generating more interest and recognition of Alaskan Amateur Radio operators specifically in such events as contests, SEP, and field day activities.

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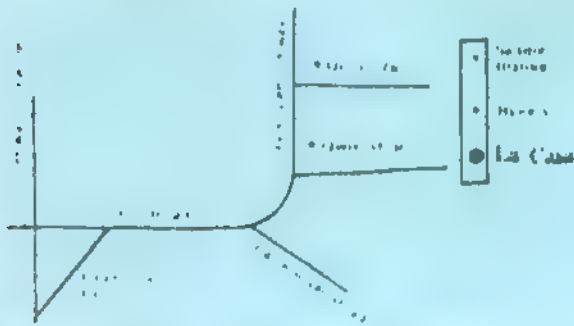
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"THE 292'er"

Published monthly by Tom & Mary Moore, KL7Q & KL7P, thru the cooperation and assistance of the Alaska Division of Emergency Services (ADES) for the enjoyment of the HAM's who support the Alaska Civil Preparedness Net and the Alaska State RACES program.

New and ole time hams have been returning to the net this month as the summer work season begins to slow down. And with a rejuvenated Net Roster this month, I think now's the time to spout off a bit about the net, the roster and the 292'er.

First off, as some know and some don't, the 292 net is a very old net dating back to Dec 1969 (we have all the logs of daily check-ins from then until present) and well before then as an informal Alaska net. There's been many net controls and several people credited with starting the original 292 net. However, at least as far as formal dated records are concerned, Del wolfington KL7EKB, seems to be the one who got the current version of the net going back in 1969. There's many tales floating around about what happened on the 292 frequency back during the '64 quake and even before. Frank Hillier KL7FBR was around in those days and remembers many of the ole timers who were active then.

It was about the time that Del got the net going in 1969, that he obtained official liaison with the then Alaska Disaster Office which has supported the net ever since. All the details aren't clear but the net has continued non-stop since then. Most of the net controlling was done by Del, KL7EKB; Faye KL7FLU, and later Dudley KL7EQQ here in Anchorage. In Portland Ore was ED W7HJU, Long John K6TLU in Calif and many others whose names I just don't have at this time. In the fall of '77, Mary & I joined the net and the State's RACES program; Mary as primary net control and me as net manager and State Deputy RACES officer. Also in the fall came Dave KL7IYH (now KL7M) who has been one heck of an anchor man for the net.

Net rosters use to contain only Alaska stations but because the net grew in popularity with stateside stations, the roster now lists the primary people who are with us on a regular basis. The roster changes each and every month. There's never been any set, definite guidelines followed as to when a station would be taken off or added back. Along about the 22nd or 23rd or so of each month, I take Mary's master roster and Elmer's previous month's roster and use them to make up the next month's roster using the formula of about 5 checkins required by the current date for adding a station. If a station hasn't checked in at all since the previous month, I scratch him from the current roster unless I know he's off on vacation or his antenna is down for a week or two or some other temporary absense.

In February 78, I put out the first 292'er to all those listed on that month's roster, in an effort to provide, primarily to Alaska HAMS, tidbits of news and what-have-you to let them know that some one cares about their existence and what's going on with them out there; and that we want to support them as best we can thru HAM radio. Well, it seemed to go over pretty good and, with the cooperation of Clyde KL7IBY down at ADES, I expanded the mailing list to include every one listed on the current month's roster.

Now, to our purpose: To provide a regular path of HF communications between Alaska and the lower 48 so that if a disaster should hit, Alaska's HAMS will know where to meet and who to contact in a timely manner so that we could send and receive official State messages should the need occur - or to provide a means where by health and welfare traffic could be quickly handled into and out of the State. In order to do this, we conduct the net regularly the way we do - to handle routine phone patches and 3rd party traffic to maintain our skills in handling traffic - a current knowledge of who's active and where they are and how to contact them; a current knowledge of the workings of several of the State's agencies that we might have to work with. SIMPLE ?? Simply stated but not so simply done. People must have an incentive to remain involved in any activity. While it's fairly easy for us as net controllers and primary participants, it's not so easy for the average Alaska HAM out in the bush to sit there and listen to a seemingly one sided conversation in which almost all the traffic is directed to one city; plus cope with things like the "woodpecker", QRM when props are good, and poor props when they're bad. So that's the reason we have a roll call at 1730Z each day - so that HAMS out there in the bush can listen for their call and know we want them to check-in and that they are a part of the net. We'd like to see HAMS in the

bush take more advantage of their "communications capability" by perhaps generating 3rd party messages from local citizens to friends and relatives in other parts of Alaska via the Alaska Bush Net or to folks in the states via the 292 net. - or whatever - anything to stay active and useful with your radios. It works. Citizens will recognize your worth as a communicator on a first hand basis and we get the satisfaction of providing a needed, otherwise unavailable, public service.

So there you have it - my concept of what 14292 means to us and how we use it. We need, - we, all together - need each others continued participation and support; for its folks like you who someday, thru your vigilance, may provide the communications assistance that may directly contribute to the saving of many lives here in Alaska.

Now you all can put your handkerchiefs back in your back pockets a while and lets mention a few things thats been going on round here.

Ray Davie W7EHO was up for a visit from rainy Aberdeen to rainy Anchorage. Sure was nice to meet with you Ray but you left too soon - the sun came out the day after you left.

The Anchorage Club is having a FLEA MARKET out at Athenian Village shopping village on the 23rd and ~~24th~~ ^{122nd} - ya'll come. gonna be lots of good junk there, I hear.

Hal Berry KL7HAY and wife Betty will be departing Homer soon to return to their winter home in Sequim Wash where Hal reverts to WA7SQZ. Enjoyed having you folks up this summer and hope to see you again next year - have a good trip home.

It was reported that Del Wolfington KL7EKB has been just too busy getting rich so he doesn't have time to get on the HF rig for a ragchew any more - humph!!!

Frank Hillier KL7FBR and Ray Johnson KL7IJT have been so busy going back-n-forth between Willow and the lower 48 - we're beginning to wonder about them - especially after Ray told us about the problem he had with his 3 pet moose the other day. Seems the creek got up so high it stranded the 3 moose on an island on his property. Fearing for their saftey, he felled a cottonwood tree across the creek and bearded only two across the new bridge. Ret ^{ing} for the 3rd, he finally found it had fell in a knot hole in the tree !!! it was ur story, Ray!

Dave, KL7M, swapped out his house furnace - oil burner- a month or so back and now is getting in a hurry to get the new one in - a gas burner - 'fore the first snow flies.

Rick Henry AL7O from remote Port Clarence way up on the coast above Nome, has been in town on leave for a couple of weeks so he and wife Cynthia WL7ACV have been off camping and just having a good ole time - good to see ya again, Rick.

The Alaska Bush Net which meets nitely from 0330Z to 0530Z ^{ON 7350 MHz} continues to thrive very well. Its gotton to be the place where the majority of Alaska's ACTIVE hams hang out on a regular basis. Its sure been a boone as far as a traffic outlet for traffic coming into the state. But you guys out there need to generate more traffic out of state - dont worry about format, Mary or I or Dave or Rick or Ed (KL7P KL7Q KL7M AL7O AL7N) or Cynthia WL7ACV or anybody will be glad to help ya out with it - just get it to Anchorage and we'll get it to the states the next morning.

The Alaska Fair is in progress now - hope all who go have a real good time.

I've submitted the first attempt of gaining an approved budget from the Iditarod Trail committee for next year's HAM communications for the Iditarod RACE. And am getting a list together of those who are volunteering to work the race, both from Anchorage and out on the trail, which is already getting fairly long - anybody wanna get in on the fun, let me know.

OOops! Almost forgot to mention that the Anchorage club is also having a display at the AAC arts fair again this year and will provide communications security for the event.

dat's all folks,

73

Tom & Mary
KL7Q KL7P



Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

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Iditarod Trail Committee
Pouch X
Wasilla, Alaska 99687

August 21, 1979

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed are three plans for HAM communications support of the 1980 Iditarod Race. Each of these plans has its advantages and disadvantages noticeable primarily in terms of dollars. However, not documented is the repercussions of the advantages or disadvantages in terms of the "value of the communications" gained or lost thru use or non use of any of the three plans.

In keeping with "success lessons" learned in previous years, HAMS will again require that all expenses be provided in advance "before" they go out on the trail. Further, we are convinced that the only way to insure timely arrival and departure from the check points is via the HAM dedicated aircraft. These aircraft can be made available to support other Iditarod operations, at further Iditarod expense, when not scheduled for HAM support.

PLAN A would seem to be the most desirable by utilizing Anchorage area HAMS to man checkpoints as far as Kaltag; then Nome area HAMS from Unalakleet to Nome. PLAN C calls for the entire operation to be manned by Anchorage area HAMS only. The great expense in this plan is the number of personnel that would require commercial transportation to and from Nome. PLAN B is a repeat of last year's with Anchorage HAMS manning all check points as far as Kaltag only.

In addressing the subject of a budget, the overall justification of the "plan of execution" for which the budget is appropriated comes under acute inspection. At the June 79 Iditarod Board meeting, I was instructed to plan to man all checkpoints all the way to Nome. Looking at PLAN A, it is probable that Anchorage will have to provide manning assistance to Nome to enable manning from Unalakleet to Nome plus a full time Nome headquarter HAM crew. We are working closely with the Nome HAMS in this matter. Therefore, the most likely plan will be a compromise between PLAN A and PLAN C; a budget between \$5,187 and \$6,837. Further cuts in the budget could be made through the deletion of check points where other reliable communications are available. I would recommend deleting HAM check points at Ophir, Sulatna, Nulato, Unalakleet and Shaktoolik.

A more accurate budget can be proposed once the Trail Committee decides exactly which check points will/will not be manned and we determine how many Nome HAMS will be able to participate. We caution all involved, however, that because Iditarod has grown so large, we can no longer risk waiting until the last minute to "play it by ear". We must have an approved plan and budget to enable us to perform our mission to the maximum extent that may be required. Thus the importance that necessary funds be appropriated or dedicated as far in advance as possible to allow for the indepth planning and scheduling required for such an operation.

Since RFA ALASCOM was so generous with its \$2,000 donation to Iditarod in support of the ID's mission in 1979, I seek the committee's approval for a solicitation, after the first snow lies, from ALASCOM and other communications oriented firms for pledges and/or donations to Iditarod in support of the HAMS in 1980.

Last year's communication success by Alaska's HAMS proved that we can work with the Iditarod organization in harmony to provide a valuable service to the racers, race officials and others all along the trail. I believe I speak for all involved HAMS when I say that we are committed to working together to provide the absolute best overall communications effort, ever, in 1980.

Sincerely,

Tom Moore

Tom Moore, K17Q
Chairman, Iditarod Communications Support
Anchorage Amateur Radio Club
21-546 F Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99506

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... want to see them - PLEASE
... for a cup of coffee or glass of tea
... I'll be glad to go over them with you.*

Tom, K17Q



IDITAROD TRAIL COMMITTEE, INC

August 25, 1979

Tom Moore
Chairman, Iditarod Communications Support
21-646 F Apricot
Anchorage, AK 99506

Dear Tom,

I just want to let you know that I have received your report and will present it to the Board at the September meeting.

I am most impressed by your three comprehensive plans. I am sure the Board will find the information very valuable and will assist them in planning the most effective course of action.

I will contact you upon returning from Fairbanks and inform you of the next executive board meeting.

As far as RCA, or now, ALASCOM, I ask that you not contact them at this time. We are in communication with ALASCOM and will direct you toward them at the appropriate time..... "when the snow flies" as you say. When one of the three plans is approved, we will submit a budget to ALASCOM.

Once again, thank you for your invaluable support.

Sincerely,

THE IDITAROD TRAIL COMMITTEE

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Raine Hall
Executive Vice President

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Anyone interested in handling written message traffic thru the NTS can call Mary KL7P at 753-9400 and get info on when and where the nets meet. Would especially like someone available on Sat and Sun mornings to check into the DPAN net to pick up Alaska traffic for delivery or relay to other Alaska stations. These nets meet daily at 9:30 AM and if anyone would like to meet the net for traffic let Mary know what days you would like.

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